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This is a

[] Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) under 37 CFR §1.53(d);

- [x] Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 (prosecution of the application is closed in the sense of 37 CFR §1.114(b));
- [] Divisional Continuation Application (parent not abandoned) under 37 CFR §1.53(b);
- [] Divisional Application (parent being abandoned) under 37 CFR §1.53(d);

of pending prior application Serial No. 09/754,133/filed January 5, 2001

for [Title as filed]: <u>CIRCUIT BOARD AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE</u>, <u>AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME</u>

[Amended Title]: <u>METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A CIRCUIT BOARD HAVING</u>
SIMULTANEOUSLY AND UNITARILY FORMED WIRING PATTERNS AND PROTRUSIONS

by [Inventors]: Yuji YAGI and Takeo YASUHO

- 1. [] A copy of the prior application is attached. This copy comprises a true copy of the prior application as filed (specification, claims, drawings, declaration). No amendments referred to in the declaration (if any) filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.
- 2. [] Abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application.

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3. [x] The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS REMAINING IN AN APPLICATION AFTER ENTRY	
OF ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT OR AMENDM	ENT Basic Fee
UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 NOTED BELOW	\$740.00
Total claims $11 -20 = 0 \times 1	8.00 (* 9.00) =
Independent claims $2 - 3 = 0 \times 8	4.00 (*42.00) =
Total Filing Fee	= \$740.00

- 4. [x] A check in the amount of \$740.00 is enclosed (Ck#1596).

 THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 160331.
- 5. [x] Cancel in this application claims 1-23 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
- 6. [] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 - --This is a [] continuation [] divisional of application Serial No. filed which in turn is a .--
- 7. Please enter in the present application the Amendment Under 37 CFR \$1.116 with any attachments filed on October 7, 2002 in said prior application which was not entered therein.
- 8. [x] Priority of foreign application(s) Nos. 10-166648 filed June 15, 1998 and 10-355837 filed December 15, 1998; in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
 - [x] The certified copies were filed in prior application No. 09/332,968 on August 9, 1999.
 - [] A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.
- 9. [x] The prior application is assigned of record to MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD. Recorded at Reel 010151, Frame 0318.

- 10. [x] The power of attorney in the prior application is to Roger W. Parkhurst, Registration No. 25,177 and Charles A. Wendel, Registration No. 24,453:
 - [x] a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
 - [] b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
 - [x] c. Address all future communications to

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- 11. [x] An Application Data Sheet is enclosed herewith.
- 12. [] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed herewith.
- 13. [] An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed herewith.
- 14. [x] This application is not entitled to Small Entity Status.
- 15. [] A Request for Approval of Drawing Changes is enclosed herewith.
- 16. [x] A Petition for Three-Months Extension of Time is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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